

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:**

The attached sheets of drawings are replacements for the originally filed figures, Substitute Figures 1A-B, 2A-B, 3A-B, 4A-B, 5, 6, 7A-B, 8, 9A-C, 10A-F, 11, 12A-D, and 13.

Attachments:        26 Replacement Sheets: Substitute Figures 1A-B, 2A-B, 3A-B, 4A-B, 5, 6, 7A-B, 8, 9A-C, 10A-F, 11, 12A-D, and 13

**REMARKS**

As required in the Notice to File Missing Parts, Substitute Figures 1A-B, 2A-B, 3A-B, 4A-B, 5, 6, 7A-B, 8, 9A-C, 10A-F, 11, 12A-D, and 13 are submitted herewith. These Substitute Figures comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84 and do not add new matter.

The amendment to claim 10 is supported by original claims 1, 2, 5, and 6. This amendment does not add new matter.

The specification has been amended to indicate the labeling of lanes 4-6 of Figure 5, "PIZZOUS", which is the name of the patient from whom the HCV negative human serum was obtained. This amendment does not add new matter. In addition, Applicants note that the label "Monoclonal Gem" used for lanes 10-12 in Figure 6A, refers to a core monoclonal antibody.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,  
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: May 18, 2004

By:   
Deborah Katz  
Reg. No. 51,863  
Phone: (202) 408-4382  
Fax: (202) 408-4400  
E-mail: [deborah.katz@finnegan.com](mailto:deborah.katz@finnegan.com)